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Lynda Green, Senior Managing Editor  
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Merry Christmas and looking forward to meet with you next week

Regards

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Regarding the trip to China for high-level negotiations to attract China Investment Corp. (CIC), the largest sovereign wealth fund in the People's Republic of China, we had a series of meetings involving the highest levels of management of that institution, and we left there with a very positive feeling about CIC's entry into our company. Mr. Zhang King, Head of New Investment, promised to speed up its internal approval process to sign the application for by mid-February.

Recall that CIC is well-known in the international market for only entering AAA investments, and its entry into Sete Brasil definitely opens the international market for major investors, including other sovereign wealth funds, increasing the success of our future IPO, as well as opening up the prospect of opening the Chinese market for financing Sete Brasil, which, incidentally, was highly emphasized in our meetings with the CIC.

Even though there is still not formal confirmation, unofficially CIC said it was very inclined to join Sete Brasil, having listed a

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a number of reasons why they believe this is the best way to enter the Brazilian market. It has not yet been decided whether they will enter directly into the FIP or through BTG, but they said they will assess the pros and cons of the two options and by January they will have a final position on the matter.

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**Assunto:** Atualização de informações relevantes

Prezados,

Tendo acabado de retornar de viagem à China, em conjunto com o nosso Presidente do Conselho, Sr. Newton Carneiro, sirvo-me da presente para informar-lhes a respeito de dois temas relevantes e atuais acerca da Sete Brasi: a licitação em curso (21 sondas) e o processo de atração de novos potenciais acionistas.

Em relação à viagem à China para negociações de alto nível visando à atração do China Investment Corp. (CIC), maior fundo soberano da Republica Popular da China, tivemos uma serie de reuniões envolvendo o alto escalão daquela instituição, e saímos de lá com uma percepção muito positiva acerca da entrada do CIC em nossa empresa. O Sr. Zhang King, Head da área de novos investimentos, prometeu acelerar o seu processo interno de aprovação visando à assinatura do boletim de subscrição até meados de fevereiro próximo.

Vale lembrar que o CIC tem fama no mercado internacional em só entrar em investimentos considerados AAA, e sua entrada na Sete Brasil abre em definitivo o mercado internacional de grandes investidores, inclusive outros fundos soberanos, aumentando o sucesso de nosso futuro IPO, além de abrir a perspectiva de abertura do mercado chinês para financiamento da Sete Brasil, o que, aliás, foi muito enfatizado em nossas reuniões com o CIC.

Mesmo não tendo ainda uma confirmação formal, extra-oficialmente o CIC se disse muito inclinado em entrar na Sete Brasil, tendo listado uma

série de motivos pelos quais eles entendem ser esse o melhor caminho para a entrada no mercado brasileiro. Ainda não se definiram se entrarão diretamente no FIP ou através do BTG, mas disseram que irão avaliar os pros e cons das duas opções e até Janeiro terão uma posição final a respeito.

Não me pareceu ainda que o CIC deseje controlar ou ter uma posição de controle sobre a Sete Brasil, o que, dado o volume que eles estariam entrando inicialmente (US\$ 500 milhões), poderia ser visto por alguns como uma posição muito agressiva naquele sentido. O que nos foi dito textualmente pelo Sr. Zhang foi que eles desejam usar esse investimento como uma ponte de entrada no Brasil para posterior diversificação de investimentos em diferentes segmentos. Disseram ainda que desejam se aproximar dos grandes fundos de pensão brasileiros para busca conjunta de oportunidades, já tendo iniciado contato com a Petros para troca de visões e experiências.

Quanto à licitação, fui informado formalmente pela Petrobras que a Diretoria Executiva da empresa, em reunião ocorrida ontem, decidiu cancelar o atual certame para promover negociações diretas entre a Petrobras e cada um dos licitantes classificados (Sete Brasil e Ocean Rig) visando à obtenção de melhores condições para a contratação das 21 sondas. O prazo conclusão dessa nova negociação, que tem início já marcado para o próximo dia 27/12, é de 30 dias corridos, quando o assunto será novamente deliberado pela Diretoria Executiva da Petrobras.

Informalmente e extra-oficialmente (portanto não se trata de informação oficial, apenas considerações pessoais minhas) nossa avaliação é de que a alta administração da Petrobras identificou que a comissão da licitação ora cancelada decidiu concluir o processo e apresentar suas conclusões mesmo antes de estressar ao máximo a fase de negociações. De fato, nunca houve qualquer negociação entre a referida comissão e os licitantes, mas apenas uma determinação da mesma para que as empresas apresentassem novos preços, sem qualquer ajuste ou modificação das regras do edital.

A decisão da Petrobras, que destituiu a comissão e nomeou um grupo de trabalho de altíssimo nível, formado apenas por Gerentes Executivos e Gerentes Gerais de 4 diferentes áreas da Petrobras, nenhum deles presente na comissão anterior, nos dá esperanças, se não mesmo a certeza, de que poderemos realizar negociações efetivas e objetivas, onde pequenos ajustes nas especificações técnicas e conceituais do processo anterior poderão resultar em melhores preços para a Petrobras sem que isso signifique aumento de riscos ou redução de margens para a Sete Brasil.

Conheço muito bem cada um dos 5 membros desse grupo de negociação e sei da retidão de todos eles e da forma zelosa que sempre pautaram suas ações e decisões na Petrobras. Tenho a certeza que, em havendo espaço para isso, a Petrobras saberá conceder espaço para que os preços das nossas sondas construídas no Brasil se aproximem bastante das referências de preço hoje praticadas no mercado internacional (em torno de US\$500/520 mil/d).

Ou seja, tenho a firme convicção que a decisão ontem tomada pela Petrobras foi altamente positiva para a empresa e para o País, e, conhecendo a nossa capacidade e a dos nossos concorrentes, nos dá elevada esperança de que até o final de Janeiro estaremos sendo aquinhoados com todo o lote das novas 21 sondas. Tenham a certeza que nós, em conjunto com nossos parceiros, sócios e fornecedores, iremos trabalhar muito duro nesse sentido.

Me coloco a disposição de todos para qualquer esclarecimento adicional, e aproveito a oportunidade para renovar meus votos de um Feliz Natal e Próspero Ano Novo para vocês, seus familiares e amigos.

Atenciosamente,

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